

**Abstract**

**SEARCHING FOR APPEND POINT IN DATA STORAGE DEVICE**

5     There is disclosed a method of accurately locating an append point along a  
length of linear tape data storage medium, comprising entering a search mode  
searching for an absolute code word quad set number, and having found the  
absolute code word quad set number, entering an interrupt mode for control of  
tape transport, followed by a write mode to write data at a data set containing the  
absolute code word quad set number.

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